

PASCOAG UTILITY DISTRICT - BOARD OF UTILITY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Pascoag Utility District Board of Utility Commissioners was held on Monday, August 31, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. in the District office, 253 Pascoag Main Street, Pascoag, RI.

Members Present: Chairman Albert Palmisciano, Commissioners Ann Polacek, Richard Jenks, Michael Kogut and Doug Lees

Members Absent:

Also in Attendance: Michael Kirkwood, General Manager; William Bernstein, General Counsel

Chairman Palmisciano opened the meeting at 6:00 pm.

- 1. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 2. Public Comment**
- 3. Committee Comments**
- 4. Good and Welfare of the District**

A. Docket No. 1725

Ms. LaPorte reviewed the customer shut off information. There were 19 standard customers and one protected status customer, terminated in the month of July. Pascoag Utility District sent out 898 disconnection notices for customers whose past due balances were more than \$50.00. Motion to receive and file made by Mr. Kogut, seconded by Mr. Lees. The vote in favor was unanimous.

B. Exxon Mobil Settlement

Ms. Allaire reviewed the Exxon Mobil Settlement statement. The balance in the money market account is 1.3 million dollars. This money has only been used for water exploration and debt service.

The CD has \$506,000 in it and was renewed for an 18 month term at 8%. Motion to receive and file made by Mr. Jenks, seconded by Mr. Kogut. The vote in favor was unanimous.

C. NEPPA Conference

Mr. Kirkwood stated that the NEPPA Conference was very well attended and had many informative speakers and sessions. The conference was attended by Mr. Kirkwood, Mr. Palmisciano and Ms. Allaire.

D. Green Festival

Ms. Dolan stated that the Green Festival will be held on September 19, 2015 from 10AM-2PM at Tinkham Lane in Harrisville. This year there will be workshops held on renewable energy, beekeeping and composting. Motion to receive and file made by Mr. Kogut, seconded by Mr. Lees. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Mr. Palmisciano wanted to let the Board know that the District put out a full page ad in the Bargain Buyer to address some of the concerns customers had about the District selling water from wells 3 & 3A to Invenergy.

5. Approval of Minutes

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Motion to approve the minutes as submitted made by Mr. Kogut, seconded by Mr. Lees. The vote in favor was unanimous.

6. Unfinished Business

A. 13-10 Water Exploration

Mr. Kirkwood stated that the District is deep into testing the well field that they are trying to develop off of route 102 in Gloucester and the infiltration gallery behind Nelson's garage. They're testing at increments to see how many gallons per minute it can pump. At the time Mr. Kirkwood went to visit the site, it was pumping 300 gallons per minute. There is a pumping test that will be happening in the next few weeks that will take place over the course of a week to see how the well pumping would affect the river and wetlands.

7. New Business

A. 15-10 Invenergy

Mr. Kirkwood stated that Invenergy is the name of the company that is developing the Power Plant in Burrillville. The District is looking into selling water from wells 3 and 3A to the Power Plant which will help clean up the wells faster.

8. Financial Reports

A. Electric Department- June 2015

B. Water Department-June 2015

Ms. Round reviewed the electric and water department financial reports. Motion to receive and file made by Mr. Jenks, seconded by Mr. Kogut. The vote in favor was unanimous.

9. Adjournment

Ms. Polacek made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Lees. The vote in favor was unanimous. The meeting was adjourned at 6:32PM.

Michael Kogut, Secretary

Board of Utility Commissioners

Desarae Dolan, Recording Secretary